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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

My Opinion,

After 35 years in the Hi-tech business I am getting real tired of "want-a-be" companies doing whatever is possible to destroy Microsoft and place themselves in a position to gain on Microsoft's losses.

The settlement should not be time-constrained. Most of Microsoft's objective's have been and continue to be in the best interest of the consumer. They are one of the most agressive, creative companies in the history of Hi-Tech. They could stand to improve their pricing and licensing policies and related costs but should be commended for their approach towards the integration of multiple applications on a common platform. This is good for the consumer.

Although Microsoft doesn't do everything according to the law, they have been enormous contributors to standardization. Those that oppose them should spend more time "creating" products that contribute towards their growth rather than spending money looking for a quick "get-rich" scheme. How pathetic it is that when one needs someone to fail in order to allow them to succeed.

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